



## HAWAII KAI NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD NO. 1

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### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2016

### HAHAIONE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA

**CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Greg Knudsen called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. **A quorum was established with 11 members present.** Note: This 15 member Board requires 8 members to establish a quorum and to take official Board action.

**Board Members Present:** Robert Clark, René Garvin, Marian Grey, Natalie Iwasa, Greg Knudsen, Carl Makino, Roberta Mayor, Elizabeth Reilly, Lasha-Lynn Salbosa, Herb Schreiner (arrived at 7:15 p.m.), and Britney Taamu-Miyashiro.

**Board Members Absent:** Paige Altonn, Carol Jaxon, and Maxine Rutkowski.

**Guests:** Tim Houghton (Deputy Director of Environmental Services, Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative); Senator Sam Slom; Senator Laura Thielen and Eliza Wilcox (Senator Thielen's Office); Representative Gene Ward and Tyler Humphries (Representative Ward's Office); Kenny Amazaki (Councilmember Trevor Ozawa's Office); Acting Captain Waipawiwoole Parker (Honolulu Fire Department); Lieutenant Clinton Sukekane and Sergeant Sanford Yue (Honolulu Police Department); Kalani Fronda (Kamehameha Schools); Lisa Bishop and Bob Kern (Friends of Hanauma Bay); Rich Carpenter; Robert Nagamine; Peter Born; and Amanda Ehe (Neighborhood Commission Office).

**INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS** – The Board members present introduced themselves.

**VACANCY** – There were no applicants for the vacancy in Subdistrict 9. Chair Knudsen asked residents help in finding a replacement Board member.

### CITY MONTHLY REPORTS

**Honolulu Fire Department (HFD)** – Acting Captain Waipawiwoole Parker reported the following:

- **May 2016 Statistics:** There was 1 cooking fire, 7 activated alarms with no fire, 79 medical emergencies, 4 motor vehicle collisions, and 2 ocean rescues.
- **Safety Tip:** Take the necessary steps to prepare for hurricane season with a plan, survival kit, and way to stay informed on impending disasters. More information is available at [www.honolulu.gov/dem](http://www.honolulu.gov/dem).

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: **Activated Alarms:** Captain Parker explained for Chair Knudsen that HFD responds to all activated alarms as if a fire is occurring, although some systems can be tripped for various other reasons, such as faulty wiring or cooking fires.

**Honolulu Police Department (HPD)** – Sergeant Sanford Yue provided a handout and Lieutenant Clinton Sukekane reported the following:

- **May 2016 Statistics:** There was 1 motor vehicle theft, 3 burglaries, 16 thefts, 20 unauthorized entries into motor vehicles (UEMVs), and a total of 6,267 calls.
- **Safety Tip:** Lt. Sukekane highlighted the pedestrian safety handout provided and noted that HPD is stepping up citations due to increased pedestrian incidents.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: **Area Car Break-Ins:** Lt. Sukekane responded to Iwasa that UEMVs occur island wide, not in a particular area. People need to be educated not to leave their vehicles unlocked as this encourages the criminal element that routinely check for unlocked cars.

**Board of Water Supply (BWS)** – No representative was present. Chair Knudsen read a report provided to the board:

- **June 2016 Main Breaks:** There were 2 breaks in June; one on June 16 at 472 Kaumakani Street and one on June 18 at 790 Ipuai Street.
- **Water Quality Reports:** The annual water quality report has been sent to customers. If residents did not receive it, see the website at [www.boardofwatersupply.com](http://www.boardofwatersupply.com) or call 748-5080.
- **Water Hot Line:** If there are water problems, call the BWS Hot Line at 748-50441 or email [contactus@hbws.org](mailto:contactus@hbws.org).

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Upcoming Races – Peter Born announced the 36th annual Tin Man Triathlon on July 24, 2016. The first participants are expected to be in Hawaii Kai around 6:30 a.m. and all of them out by 8:15 a.m. Clean-up crews will follow to clear the area. The Dick Evans Memorial Race is August 21, 2016, beginning in Kalama Valley at 5:45 a.m. Both races will have coned routes and police supervision.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Noise: Born answered Chair Knudsen that noise concerns in Kalama Valley have been addressed. There will be no music until the afternoon and racers will be notified to keep noise levels down.
  2. Tin Man Route: Born answered Chair Knudsen that the Tin Man route will be: Kalanianaʻole Highway to Lunalilo Home Rd. to Kalama Valley and return via Lunalilo Home Rd. to Wailua St. to Hawaii Kai Drive to the highway.
- Keawawa Wetlands – Reilly announced that there are 3 new baby *alae ula* (moorhens). The Keawawa Wetlands community open house and workday is Saturday, July 9, 2016, at 8:30 a.m. and will be followed by a lecture at 10:00 a.m. about the birds by Charles Van Rees at the Oahu Club.
  - Hawaii Kai Strong – Garvin announced the Hawaii Kai Strong meeting regarding Hurricane Preparedness at Koko Head Park Community Center on July 6, 2016, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

CANDIDATE STATEMENTS – Robert Nagamine, a candidate for Senate District 25 (Kailua, Waimanalo, Hawaii Kai), introduced himself and provided a flyer.

### OFFICIALS' REPORTS

Mayor Kirk Caldwell's Representative – Tim Houghton, Deputy Director of the Department of Environmental Services (ENV), reported the following:

- Tennis Courts: The Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) was not aware of residents being ordered to leave the Koko Head District Park tennis courts at 10:00 p.m. DPR staff will remind HPD that the park closing is 11:00 p.m.
- Homeless: An HPD officer checked the Hawaii Kai Park and Ride and observed 3 homeless individuals. Upon further investigation, the officer discovered a homeless encampment. If it is determined to be on City property, the Department of Facility Maintenance (DFM) will be notified for possible Stored Property Ordinance enforcement.
- Traffic Calming: The Department of Transportation Services (DTS) will conduct an investigation regarding traffic calming measures for Lunalilo Home Road in the vicinity of Wainiha Street and inform the board upon completion.
- 7000 Hawaii Kai Drive Parking: The project has been reviewed for compliance and has provided more than the required stalls. The Department of Planning and Permitting (DPP) does not have the authority to regulate how additional parking spaces are allocated.

Question, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Homeless: Grey noted homeless individuals camping in their vehicle for over 48 hours in the same spot at Maunalua Bay and asked for clarification on parking limitations and enforcement.
2. Bulky Item Pickup: Reilly thanked the bulky item pickup staff for their work.
3. Homeless (continued): Chair Knudsen noted the extensive work done by Clark and the Hawaii Kai Marina Community Association regarding the homeless. Clark noted the association has moved the homeless off of their private property and will fence the area. He also reported that the water at the Dog Park is actually used by people using the park and is no longer requesting the water be shut off.

Councilmember Trevor Ozawa – Kenny Amazaki circulated a newsletter, highlighted the 2017 fiscal year budget, and was available for questions.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Stables: Amazaki responded for Iwasa that there is currently no update on the status of the Koko Crater Stables. Garvin commented that Mayor Caldwell said a contract would be given out. Reilly noted that various groups were interested and all need to be included in the discussion. Amazaki stated that they are making sure that the process is fair.

Governor's Representative – No representative was present; a newsletter was provided.

Senator Sam Slom – Senator Slom provided a newsletter and reported the following:

- 7000 Hawaii Kai Drive: Senator Slom noted that the project was completed ahead of time and on budget.
- Special Session: A special session was held to approve 2 district court judges and more vacancies are likely to occur in the coming months.
- Veto List: Governor Ige's list of bills he may veto was sent to the Legislature. Sen. Slom noted the "Airbnb"

bill (HB1850) is on the potential veto list.

- Hawaiian Electric Company (HECO): The Public Utilities Commission (PUC) should be rendering their verdict on the HECO/Next Era merger soon.
- Rail: Sen. Slom noted that Mayor Caldwell has requested an extension on the due date for the “recovery plan” that is to be submitted to the Federal Transportation Administration (FTA).

Senator Laura Thielen – Senator Thielen circulated a newsletter and reported the following:

- Rail: Senator Thielen stated that the Rail is becoming a political issue in the Mayor’s contest. Mayor Caldwell is asking for an extension to June 1, 2017, and may ask the Legislature to extend the general excise tax (GET) surcharge so it could now become a state issue as well. The state administrative charge of 10% on the total collected is equal to the whole Dept. of Taxation budget. Sen. Thielen suggests that every state legislative candidate answer whether they support the 10% charge.
- Newsletter: The back page of Senator Thielen’s newsletter highlighted information on hazards, City and State laws, and important contact information.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed:

1. Maunalua Bay Boat Ramp: Reilly requested the trash dumpsters be moved away from the water near the Maunalua Bay boat ramp.
2. Beach Access: Iwasa thanked Senator Thielen for meeting with the community to discuss various jurisdictional issues around Maunalua Bay. Sen. Thielen noted that research would be done regarding the history of deeds and beach access.

Representative Gene Ward – Representative Ward distributed a newsletter and reported the following:

- Passing of Kaiser Student: Representative Ward expressed sadness about the recent passing of a Kaiser High School student at Manoa Falls and noted that Kendrick Chang will be presenting a resolution.
- Stables: Rep. Ward expressed concerns with the current situation of the Koko Crater Stables. There is the possibility for Mr. Mount incorporating the other 2 bidders into his planned program, as neither has enough to do it alone.
- Maunalua Bay: The trash bins can be addressed at the meeting with the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) on June 29, 2016, to discuss the redesign of Maunalua Bay Beach Park.
- Peace Corps: Representative Ward and Representative Creagan honored Carrie Hessler-Radelet, National Peace Corps Director, at a reception hosted at the East-West Center.
- Beer Summit: The next Beer Summit will be held July 7, 2016, at the Kona Brewing Company, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Russell Yamanoha, Chair of the Neighborhood Commission, will be featured.
- 7000 Hawaii Kai Drive: The apartments are open and Livable Hawaii Kai Hui plans new landscaping.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Landscaping: Reilly noted that a plan is being developed to extend the indigenous landscaping to the area in front of 7000 Hawaii Kai Drive along with cultural features and a *pa hula* (hula mound). There is also a separate piece of the lot that belongs to the City. She urged residents to be patient, as this will take time.

Representative Mark Hashem – No representative was present; no report was provided.

## OLD BUSINESS

Update on the Elimination of Neighborhood Boards – Iwasa explained that the proposal to eliminate the Neighborhood Boards has been set aside. There will be 3 more meetings by the Charter Commission on the remaining proposals and those proposals voted to be placed on the ballot so far are available at their website. Iwasa cautioned that there are still proposals that have not been voted on; one to eliminate non-profit grants is still pending. Chair Knudsen noted that the proposal relating to Neighborhood Board term limits is still alive.

Update on the Koko Crater Stables – Chair Knudsen stated he spoke with Mayor Caldwell who sounded supportive of Jerry Mount’s proposal for the Koko Crater Stables. He also spoke with Jerry Mount who has not heard yet and is a bit concerned, but encouraged by what he has heard. Chair Knudsen noted that funding for maintenance is available and that residents and the Board could continue to push for access to the trails.

Neighborhood Plan Amendments – Chair Knudsen asked each board member to read 1 of the proposed neighborhood plan amendments. Schreiner, Makino, Salbosa, Mayor, Clark, and Garvin read an amendment. Clark interrupted the readings to object to the exercise. As he had not been recognized, Chair Knudsen called Clark out of order three times. Garvin suggested the board take the month to consider all the amendments for discussion at the next meeting.

BOARD COMMITTEES

Transportation and Safety Committee – Garvin reported that a follow-up meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2016, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Hawaii Kai Public Library Conference Room. She noted the committee minutes from the June meeting were included with the regular board mail-out packet. HPD and DTS were present to discuss pedestrian safety, new striping along Hawaii Kai Drive, and bicycles sharing lanes with vehicles. Speeding on Lunalilo Home Road was discussed. Garvin noted that the “Yield” sign near the 7000 Hawaii Kai Drive Apartments could pose a safety issue in the future. No solutions were proposed, but Garvin expressed optimism about the direction of the discussions.

Questions, comments, and concerns followed: Crashes: Iwasa suggested that a record of the crashes discussed at the meeting be included in the minutes.

BOARD BUSINESS

Approval of May 31, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes: **The Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1 May 31, 2016, Regular Meeting Minutes were APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY as printed, 12-0-0 (AYE: Clark, Garvin, Grey, Iwasa, Knudsen, Makino, Mayor, Reilly, Salbosa, Schreiner, Taamu-Miyashiro; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None).**

REPORTS

Treasurer’s Report – Chair Knudsen reported the initial allocation for the fiscal year of \$3,052; expenses were paid for the facility rental and video taping for the year, along with the month’s mailing and miscellaneous costs; leaving a remaining balance of \$233.39. The report was filed.

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENT

- Next Regular Board Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1 will be held on Tuesday, July 26, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at the Hahaione Elementary School Cafeteria.
- Olelo Viewings: The Hawaii Kai Neighborhood Board No. 1 regular meetings are cablecast on Olelo channel 49 on the second Monday of the month at 9:00 p.m. and on the first and third Fridays of the month at 7:00 a.m.
- Online Video: Meetings can be seen online at <http://www.olelo.org/olelonet> (search “Hawaii Kai Board”) or at [www.honolulu.gov/nco/boards](http://www.honolulu.gov/nco/boards) (“Board Meeting Video Archive”)

ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Submitted by: Relley Araceley, Neighborhood Assistant

Reviewed by: Sam Wolf, Public Relations

Reviewed and Finalized by: Secretary René Garvin

Chairperson Greg Knudsen